

# Arlington Human Rights Commission Minutes

Date: September 18, 2019

Time: 8:00 pm

Location: Arlington Senior Center, 27 Maple Street Ground Floor Mural Room

Attendance: Co-chairs Bauer and Grossman, Commissioners DiMeo,

Minton, Carlton-Gysan, Rogers, Horowitz Interns Noah Sweder and Annika Lof

Absent: Commissioners Baron, Carney, Fontanez

Guests: Crystal Haynes, Lynette Marytn

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 8:00 pm by Co-Chair Bauer

#### 1. Introductions

a. Welcome new Commissioner Chris DiMeo.

#### 2. Co-Chairs Report

a. Co-s meeting with Christine Bongiorno. Working on a packet of materials for new commissioners. Co-chairs are meeting with each new commissioner to help orient them.

#### 3. Minutes

- The Commissioner Minton moved to approve edits to August minutes, seconded by Co-chair Bauer and approved unanimously.
- Co-chair moved to accept May minutes, seconded by Co-chair Grossman. Motion passes. Five voted in favor with two abstentions.
- c. Commissioner Horowitz moved to accept May minutes, seconded by Commissioner Carlton-Gysan. Five voted in favor with two abstentions

## 4. Calendar of Upcoming Meetings

a. Next three Meetings: October 23<sup>rd</sup>, November 20<sup>th</sup>, December 18<sup>th</sup>. They will occur at the Senior Center from 8-10pm unless otherwise noted.

# 5. Review of Community Input

a. Noted "Arlington Fights Racism" website. Reviewed information provided at Select Board meeting.

# 6. Incidents/Response

a. Individuals in both Sunderland and Everett interested in starting Human Rights Commissions in their towns.

# 7. Commissioner updates

a. Reviewed status of commissioner slots.

# 8. Community Forum

- a. Representative from "Arlington Fights Racism" Proposed two different wordings for requests relating to the HRC on their website going out the following day.
- Commissioner Carlton-Gysan moved to discuss. Seconded by Commissioner DiMeo and unanimously approved. The commission discussed and determined a decision not needed.

## 9. Working Group Reports

- a. All groups will meet before the next meeting.
- b. Reviewed signups for Commissioner Coffee chats and for-on call commissioner.
- c. Link on town website to HHNHH and LLH signs.
- d. Sending out resources through social media discussed, will be covered by established Communications WG parameters.

#### 10. Announcements

 a. Commissioner Grossman reminded commissioners about upcoming trainings being offered through the Town of Arlington and Anti-Defamation League that were already shared.

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:30 pm by Commissioner Horowitz, seconded by Co-Chair Bauer, and approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.